

REMARKS

Claims 1 through 6, 11 to 13, 17, 19 to 22 and 27 to 31 continue to be under consideration.

New claim 32 is being introduced.

New claim 32 is based on the language of claims 20 to 22 and 27 through 31.

The Office Action refers to *Election Restrictions*

1. This application contains claims 7-10, 14-16, 18, 23-26, drawn to an invention nonelected with traverse in Paper No. August 15, 2005. A complete reply to the final rejection must include cancellation of nonelected claims or other appropriate action (37 CFR 1.144) See MPEP § 821.01

Applicants respectfully submit that a Request for Continued Examination is planned to be filed and that the question of Election should be disposed of at a later point in time.

The Office Action refers to *Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112*.

3. Claim 11 stands finally rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

4. Claim 11 recites the limitation "the attachment means" in line 4. There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim. Further the language should be amended to recite "attachment members" rather than "attachment member", if as recited in the claim the members are to permit ratchet extension sleeve and ratchet extension shaft to be installed.

Applicants are amending claim 11 to obviate the rejection.

The Office Action refers to Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102.

6. Claims 1, 3, 5 and 11 (as best understood) stand finally rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Lampke, US Patent No. 2,808,749.

Lampke discloses all the limitations of the above claims 1, i.e., Power wrench comprising a handle containing a motor e.g. 67); ratchet extension (41) attached to the handle; a ratchet extension shaft (55) attached to the handle and a ratchet head (1); and the ratchet head (1) attached to the extension and the shaft, wherein the extension and the shaft are removable; a plurality of removable extension (41, 67, 81) and a plurality of removable shafts (55, 77) each separately removable. Applicants are introducing claim 32 with the purpose of defining the invention over the references.

Reconsideration of all outstanding rejections is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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